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Title of Invention Necklace/Bracelet Extender

the type of findings and their position are an integral and important part of this invention
this invention claims a system to be used with any jewelry

Emerson

The invention is a specific necklace which consists of a multi-purpose short piece which can be used to hold ID badges or pieces of the necklace
the reclosable fasteners have a magnetic catch
the necklace can convert to a bracelet

the necklace size is shortened when the bracelet is formed but it does not enlarge the jewelry

Emerson is distinguished from this invention

this invention is a system that enlarges any piece of jewelry
this system can be used with any piece of jewelry

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

- 0001 Page 5 contains an amended description of the claims
- 0002 Page 4 of the last submission contains the original narration of the claim which I wish to cancel
- 0003 I acknowledge the objection to the drawings which I wish to cancel by substituting revised drawings
- 0004 I acknowledge objections to the specification which I wish to cancel by submitting a revised specification

REMARKS

I agree that there were errors in the form of the specification submitted in the original application and I have submitted a revised specification. I agree with the objections to the drawings and I have submitted revised drawings. I disagree with the examiner's contentions. My invention is a system of chains specifically attached and located to enlarge the length of a piece of jewelry. It involves different-sized

findings which connect together to enlarge a piece of jewelry so the proposed wearer's head or wrist can pass through the opening and the jewelry can be worn.

As I explained in greater detail on page 5 in the Response To Objections To The Claim and Distinctions From The Cited Cases, none of the cases cited by the examiner enlarge a piece of jewelry's length . While the other cases are inventions which relate to jewelry , each is an invention of a specific piece of jewelry and its alteration in a specific way. The system in this invention can be used with any piece of jewelry to increase its length. The purpose of this invention is to facilitate the use of a piece of jewelry which is in existence and physically challenging in length, not to bring a new piece of jewelry into existence. Findings or closures which are used to join two halves of a piece of jewelry vary in their size and position. While the findings in this system may be found and used in other ways in other jewelry, because the number and kinds of findings are fixed, the findings in this system are positioned in a certain way and must be a certain size in order to make the system work. Finally, the objective or purpose or function of the other inventions differs from those of these claims and distinguish them in a patentable sense.

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